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Thought for the Day Selected by Edith Partridge

There are loyal hearts, there are spirits brave, There are soles that are pure and true: Then give to the world the best you have, And the best shall come back to you. -Madeline Bridges.

The base ball fan may as well begin to unlimber

The country is safe! Wall street Cheer up! is smiling-

Considering its opportunities, that legislature could have done a great deal more damage.

Another sign of spring-the reappearance of the base ball score board in its familiar haunt.

The federal court of Indiana strikes a blow for honest elections that will be felt from sea to sea.

Ong graft-greedy sheriff will not lose anything on a 32-cent allowance for jail feeding, but it's tough on his lawyer-lobbyist partner.

Terre Hante politicians, smarting under the federal lash, no doubt can out-lament any Nebraskan on the "encroachments of federal power-"

If that many ballots were cast in our recent elimination election, then comparatively few of them were marked for a full list of seven candidates.

Now let our nonpartisan Water board establish a rule barring political activities by salaried employes, and then see to it that the rule is enforced.

has a paid School board, which after merger will give way to an unpaid board, and we hope without deterioration of the service-

Still, if the voters really want to retain the services of those self-sacrificing county officers. they can re-elect them at the proper time without the aid or consent of any legislature on earth.

Maintaining the dignity of public office without a public limousine is painfully difficult. An officeholder without a gas wagon at call is in danger of becoming an object of suspicion or derision

A current report of the purchase of a sixtymile railroad in southwestern Kansas for \$1 should clinch the argument that a road properly capitalized can be made to pay dividends on the investment.

Still, there is no good reason for worrying over the troubles of Americans abroad. The scenery at home is not quite as thrilling, but is infinitely more conducive to high thinking and long living.

Recalling the scant courtesy shown by the Water board to suggestions from the city commission in times past, it is hoped the latter body will not reciprocate in kind, but will give proper attention and due consideration to the Water boarder's proffer of assistance in adjusting electric light rates.



The official count of the late election gives Boyd for mayor the victory over Murphy by a majority of 177; for treasurer, Trueman Buck polled 5,194 votes out of a total of 5,196, no one running against him

The officers of the Omaha Gun club are: President George T. Mills; vice president, J. W. Bedford; secretary and treasurer, C. D. Lane; board of managers, Dr. H. A. Warley, Goodly Brooker, and F. S. Parmale. Altogether IN applications for liquor licenses have

been filed at the city clerk's office. E. M. Stenberg, police judge-elect, was serenaded

by the Scandinavian club, and the judge made a speech expressing his thanks to the visitors.

The resolutions of respect for the late Robert P McAusland, adopted at the meeting of the bank clerks of Omaha, are subscribed with the names of John E. Wilbur and Alfred Millard.

Max Meyer and P. E. Her have been appointed a mmitte to represent the Omaha Board of Trude at the opening of the Chicago chamber of commerce.

A. Molnness of the firm of Molnness & Bussy, returned from a pleasure trip east during which he stated his old home in Canada.

Can Gorgas Do It!

The proposal of the Rockefeller Foundation to send General Gorgas to stem the scourge of typhus fever, now devastating Serbia, and clean up the country in a sanitary way, comprehends the mightiest task ever set for man. It is an enterprise compared to which the job of ridding the Canal Zone of yellow fever and similar diseases was a holiday-

On the Isthmus General Gorgas had the active assistance and hearty co-operation of a highly organized military force, and an intelligent civil government. In Serbia he would have neither. However willing the anthorities may be to assist him, or anyone else in the undertaking, it is impossible at present. The Serbian military authorities have all they can attend to with the armies in the field, while the civil government does not exist, so far as it might be useful in such a huge enterprise as ridding the country of the plague.

Conditions in Serbia are most appalling, and are growing worse; adjacent territory is threa'ened, and will undoubtedly be invaded by the scourge, unless checked. Science can check the spread of typhus or similar fevers, but to do so must have assistance. If this can be had, Gorgas is the man for the undertaking. His genius for organization, his fearlessness and his familiarity with sanitary work make him most available for the succor of Serbia.

Again has cultured Europe turned to America to a work for humanity, which can not be done by the civilized nations of that continent, because they are engaged in the most stupendous of human conflicts. The longer the war lasts, the brighter glows the record of the United States.

Entertaining Company.

"Our hospitable shores" has ever been prime favorite in figurative utterance for poet and orator, and it may now be expanded slightly by adding "and harbors," for the seaports of the United States are entertaining distinguished company these days. Another German sea rover has just put into a nook of shelter over which waves the Stars and Stripes, and will probably remain there till after the war is over. It will be welcome, as are the other ships that have taken similar refuge. Uncle Sam has plenty of room in his harbors for all the navies of the world, and will gladly give them all anchorage, if they will only come in and behave.

Incidentally, there's a further touch of German humor in the story of the Kronprinz Wilhelm. Overtaking a British cruiser devoid of ammunition, the Germans transferred its most effective artillery to their own ship, mounted them, sank the Britisher, and sailed away on a cruise of eight months, finally destroying seven millions of property for the glory of war.

Launching a Presidential Boom.

Democratic prophets are busily engaged just now in working out plans for properly putting the second term candidacy of Woodrow Wilson before the public. How to launch the boom without giving it the appearance of being a political move is the problem they are seaking to solve. One of the proposals is that Mr. Wilson make a trip and deliver a few speeches, not for campaign purposes; far be it from that, but just as a sort of visit with the folks, and to tell them of the many noteworthy feats accomplished by his administration. This may fool the democrats, but not the public. If the president is no more successful in his promised addresses than he was at Indianapolis, he would better stay at

As a matter of fact, the cabinet officers are and have been busy on press-agent tours for the administration for months, each vieing with the other in sounding the praises of the president and his party. All of this explanation and ad-It is not generally known that South Omaha | juration seems to suggest that the "spontaneity" of the call for Mr. Wilson's second term candidacy takes a great deal of inflation. This is especially true when the renomination is a foregone conclusion.

> It wouldn't" be a bad plan for the president to get out and mingle with his fellow countrymen. No other occupant of the White house in many years, not even Grover Cleveland, has held himself so entirely aloof from the people. A "swing around the circle" might not help his chances politically to any great degree, but it would do him no harm to get a little more firsthand knowledge of the geography of the United States.

Let Us Have a Workhouse.

Among the really good measures enacted by the legislature is one intended to make possible the acquisition of a workfarm and the erection of a workhouse in Douglas county.

This is one of our most urgent and long-felt wants-something The Bee has been advocating for years, and which we hope will now materialize before long. . We have had temporary rock piles and occasional road work for our petty offenders, but most of the time our police court prisoners have had no more unpleasant prospect to face than a thirty to ninety-day rest-

cure in the county jail. Idleness for jail prisoners is contrary to every accepted doctrine of prison policy, to say nothing of its costliness, and the fuvitation it offers to professionals to make this community take care of them. A workhouse should no: only reduce the cost to the taxpayers of maintaining prisoners, but should cut down the number of those to be cared for by serving notice to outsiders that police court conviction in Omaha means enforced labor rather than a loafing jon.

Our county authorities and civic organizations should get together without delay on a workhouse program as a project of practical philanthropy and business economy combined.

Cleveland tips off to harassed street railway managers a simple specific for the jitney fever. Three-cent fares are the rule in the city since the days of Tom Johnson. Jitneys attempted to get the business on a 5-cent basis. The attempt was a failure. Cheap fares and good service made fruitless the burning of gasoline. The system is not patented and is free to all.

A California millionaire who has emerged from a nine months' stay in a federal prison reports that he had "a corking good time" and enjoyed the rest very much. This is timely commendation for Uncle Sam's rest cure institutes, and suggests that appeals which defer the joyous treatment are a waste of good money.

Aimed at Omaha

Tekamah Herald: Governor Morehead has signed the bill which annexes the surrounding towns to Omaha. Consolidation is now an accomplished fact and is best for all concerned. Their interests were but one and now they can work in harmony. Omaha now has over 200,000 population, a big, busy, bustling western city, of which all Nebrasics is proud and aboutd continually aid in every possible way.

Fremont Tribone: While the consolidation of its burbs with Omaha is to be submitted to a vote of all of them concerned at one time, that city is already assuming that consolidation is an assured fact. Omaha will yote pretty unanimously in favor of taking in its suburhs, and it matters little how they vote; they will have to come in anyway. It will add 46,690 or 56,000 people to the city and give it a big bnost when the next centus is complied. The truth is Omaha is destined to be a great city and is certain to make a remarkable growth in the next ten years. now it is in much thriftier condition than most similar cities of the country, by reason of the prosperity of the territory supporting it. No city in America is freer from business stagnation and the problems of unemployment at this time than is Omaha. Annexaion and consolidation is one of the steps of the new development that is making Omaha conspicuous and which will be more and more apparent in the near

Fairbury News: Jim Dahlman was renominated in Omaha. Of course there were a few other men chosen also, but they are of little consequence.

Nebraska City Press: Omaha is making great preparations for the proper welcoming of Nebraska newspaper men in a few days. The newspaper boys of Nebraska are always glad to go to Omahs, too They know the brand of hospitality the metropolis always has on tap and there are no lagging moments. Men who attend the annual convention in two weeks are looking forward with keen anticipation to a most enjoyable stay as guests of Omaha.

Fremont Tribune: Seven attempts at suicide in Omaha in nine days have been made by residents of the suburbs threatened with annexation.

Fremont Tribune: Omaha is going to vote next month on the question of permitting Sunday base ball "in its midst." Do you want more than one guess on how it will vote?

Hastings Republican: Now that greater Omaha to be a fact here is hoping that the people of Nebraska's leading metropolis will be equal to the task of benevolently assimilating the people of the annexed

Lincoln Journal: Soft pity simost forbids us to mention the Omaha World-Herald in this connection. The World-Herald was chiefly responsible for the nomination and election of Morehead last year. It guaranteed him to the people of Omaha, notwithstanding it knew well that he was receiving the support of the interests now served by a governor's veto. The World-Herald's courageous support of the electric light bill was an important factor in getting it through the legislature. Oh, the tragedy of it, that it should be the World-Herald's governor who new knocks the World-Herald's dream. Still another title to the veto which springs naturally to the mind is, "Stung Again"

Twice Told Tales

The Kaiser Laughed. Among the officers who resemble Kaiser Wilhelm If is a young captain who has a prodigious talent for

imitation. Some months before the war this captain found himself in a hall of the imperial palace at Potsdam. He was there with others of his friends who were officers, and began an imitation of the kaiser with extraordinary precision in tone, quality of voice, gosture and appearance. All at once there was a terrible silence. Wilhelm II had arrived in the hall. The of-

ficers saluted respectfully and remained motionless. "Very well, go on!" said the kaiser, addressing the captain. "I did not know you had this talent." The officer hesitated a moment, then extending his arm and reproducing the intonation of his sovereign.

he cried in a strong voice: 'Captain, you should be chased out of the army, but in consideration of your youth and because I know you to be a worthy and brave soldier, I pardon

The kaiser laughed, and the captain was not punished.-New York Times.

Not for Practical Une.

Congressman William G. Sharp, when the conversation turned to the practical use of things, said he was reminded of an incident that happened in the

Some time ago a young colored man was picked up by a policeman and taken to the city lockup. Eventually he appeared before the committing may-

"Young man," sternly remarked the magistrate in opening the case, "you are charged with carrying razor. What have you got to say for yourself?" "Dat am berry true, boss," earnestly protested the

defendant, "but dat razah am a safety razah." "Well," impatiently demanded the magistrate. "what has that got to do with it?" 'It am dis way, yo' honah," explained the colored "A safety razah am only carried fo' de moral

No Difference.

effec'."-Philadelphia Telegraph

A darkey running a ferry across the Alabama river was accosted by a poor white stranger who wanted to cross, but hadn't the wherewithal. Pete scratched his wooly head, perplexedly, then

queried: "Doan' ye' got no money at all?" was the dejected reply. "But it doan' cost yo' but 2 cents ter cross," in-

"I know, but I hain't got 3 cents."

After a final inward think, Pete remarked: done tell yo' what: a man what's not got I cents am as well off on dis side ob de ribber as on de odder!"-Philadelphia Ledger.

People and Events

William Hale Thompson, republican mayor-elect of Chicago, best his democratic opponent by 147,977 votes. It might have been considerably higher, but republicans didn't care to rub it in

spot, Governor Majors of Missouri monopolises social attentions at Excelsior Springs and has had dance music dedicated in his honor Speaking about crops, the Federal Prison New Era of Leavenworth remarks: "If a crop of wild oats

Despite the fact that Omaha's mayer is on the

bank instead of a penitentiary. The ruthless march of progress is demolishing the house in Dillsbury, Pa., in which Senator Matthew Stanley Quay was born in 1833. The house was 100 years old and was long used as a Presbyterian manse. In the adjacent orchard the budding boss of Pennsylvania learned how to shake the plum trees.

possessed a market value this place would be

a habit that nerved his arms in later years, In a moment of subconscious gaiety, Steve Korwalski of Pottaville, Pa., insulted Mary Kerchuck, a 12-year-old. Mary's mother got after Steve and beat him into insensibility and finished the operation hy twing him to a telegraph pole, where the police found him. It is believed in the neighborhood that Mary's mother has the makings of a "white hope."

A Chicago paper publishes a note from Buchanan Michigan, stating that Jess Willard was born there and that his true name is Percy Gish, according to his reputed father, Joe Gish. For the benefit of the future "Who's Who" of pugdom it is further asserted that Jess or Percy worked in a millinery store when he was 15 years of age, and didn't go west to grow merely a stopping off place for Jess,

The Bees &

Brief contributions on timely topics invited. Whe Bee assum no responsibility for opinions of correspondents. All letters sub-ject to condensation by editor.

The Yellow Peril.

LYNCH, Neb., April 12.-To the Editor of The Bee: Some time ago I read in The Bee an article in which China appealed to the United States for assistance, claiming that the demands made upon it by Japan were unjust. The appeal seems to have made a strong impression upon our nation. But, beware! It is only a plot. China and Japan are working hand-inhand. While the nations of Europe are at war, Japan and China are laying the foundation for the domination of the

Japan has been preparing for years and in its present demands upon China. Japan has laid a very clever trap in which it hopes to ensuare, not only Uncle Sam, but also the nations of Europe. It is high time that our statesmen come to realize the fact that the nations of Europe now engaged in an orgy of destruction are all unwittingly helping pave the way for the yellow peril. I for one believe that a stopping of shipping and everything to the ports of

the belligerents until a safe convoy can be granted to every port would help mightly in bringing nearer the end of this struggle. Europe needs america and if each is refused our sid unless all may receive that aid, it will likely result in neither

getting it and each sooner coming to the place where peace can and will be dia-It would also be a wise move to persuade the South American people to join with us in this move. America can neutralize the warring nations if it moves

M. M. ROHDE. Again the Optimist. SIOUX CITY, Ia., April 12.-To the Editor of The Bee: A correspondent signing himself E. O. McIntosh, perpe trated this gem of philosophical thought:

"A pessimist is one of the greatest evils that ever annoyed the community, but an optimist will laugh even with the hangman's noose around his neck. So will an idiot. 'Tis said that fools rush in where angels fear to tread. The fool is the greatest little optimist alive.

A wise man-a man who understood the law of cause and effect-would very naturally have peculiar misgivings regarding the distressing effect of a rope around his neck. But the wise man would also have avoided the predicament. To me, an out-and-out optimist is amusing even if he is dangerous, because of a disinclination to exert energy. He who deliberately closes his eye to conditions of life fails to do his duty and is content to live simply for his own comfort. Slums, political scandal, divorce, labor problems. business problems, religious wrongs-all these, the silly optimist would permit to continue without doing anything to bring about happier conditions

The real optimist is the pessimist who doesn't lose his sense of proportion. He looks at the dark side of things, but never gives up hope, no matter how much gloom meets him. He keeps pegging along, neither ignoring conditions nor made discouraged by them.

None of the world's greatest men has been the sort to laugh with a hangman's neose about his neck. Jesus Christ, Martin Luther, and every other prominent figure of constructive history could properly be classed as possimists-men who were not blinded to the evil of their

The pessimist sees, sings and works; the optimist sees, sings and shirks-in only one thing are they different. CECIL MONTAGUE.

"Safe and Sane" Commencement. BLAIR, Neb., April 12 .- To the Editor of The Bee: A good many schools in the state have adopted the cap and gown for graduation. This is a sensible decision, as it eliminates the rivalry in dress and the competition in jewelry. Now that commencement week is looming up in the borigon, it is well to begin laying plane and specifications looking toward that important event in the lives of young America. Not every girl in the ordinary high school can afford the expense of an elaborate graduation gown and the accompanying lingeric that is required to keep the gown company-the white kid shoes, etc.-of commencement day. There is so much expense connected with graduation that is absolutely essential-guch as invitations. But if the various class functions held at this time. which demand a dress for the class sermon, a ball gown and a costume for the alumni reception could be eliminated, or if one gown would suffice for all occasions for the "sweet young thing." the fathers, who are sometimes unable to bear this extra expense incident to the occasion, would feel relieved of a great responsibility and some of the graduates would be saved heartaches because of the inability to rival their more wealthy and ndulged classmates. One suit-with a change of ties-an-

swers for the boy graduate, but no fewer than three suits of paraphernalia are required to get the girl through. We are going wild, crazy, insane, if you will, over dress, and the seed planted in the minds of the graduates this year will have much to do in the further development or checking of the dress craze Don't encourage the "sweet girl graduate" of 1915 to spread the contagion which is liable to prove fatal in one or two generations mere. Work for a "safe and commencement. Let's have the cap and gown. ANNIE VIO GATES

Editorial Viewpoint

Wall Street Journal: Americans who want to travel for pleasure in Europe should be so permitted, with the State department's assurance that only providence is in the husiness of protecting

Pittsburgh Dispatch: A sarcastic observer thinks that the reason Victoriano Huerta left Europe for the West Indies was that he saw the plight he would be left in if he stayed in Europe after the sway of the water wagon was fully establiahed.

Kansas City Journal: Demand has been formally made on Germany for Indemnity for the sinking of the William P. Frye. the full value of the vessel. And if Germany declines to pay, the Washington authorities are prepared to regard it as a, mean old thing.

St Louis Republic: What with optimistic outlooks for the 19th crop, the reports that the Dardanelles are about to be forced, that the Dardanelles cannot be forced, that Italy will go to war and that Italy will not go to war, the wheat market is a most uneasy place.

BREEZY TRIFLES.

"The convict who escaped was one of the most polite men in the prison." "Yes even when he knocked the guard down, he said. Excuse the liberty I'm taking."—Baltimore American.

Lily-What a handgome coachman you've got.

Daisy-Yes: but you ought to see husband's manicure:-Judge.

"That man who was waiting for oppor-tunity to knock said, when it knocked, that it was a mighty punk opportunity," "He was not waiting for opportunity to knock; he was waiting to knock oppor-tunity."—Houston Post.



Madge—I don't think there'd be any fun in voting, anyhow. Marjorie—Sure there would. If a woman you didn't like were running you could get all the fudge and soda you wanted out of her and then vote against

Bill-He thinks fish makes brains. Jill-Does he cat any?
Bill-Lots of it.
Jill-He ought to be able to prove an alid.—Yonkers Statesman.

The great magazine editor "This story," he said, "is by a famous author. It is written in brilliant style;

the action is rapid; the situations are Then what's the trouble?" we asked.

just to make dialogue.

I am afraid it will distract attention from the advertisements, he signed.

Philadelphia Ledger.

LINES FROM THE POETS.

The Original Bird Men. The aeropiane is nothing new; The bards have had the wonder And scared among the heavens b Since Zeus conquered thunder.

This airship, though, declines to fly
For millions of the masses;
Just those who have a tiecnee high
Can ride upon Pegasus.
(Note—This license of poets is one of
the cidest forms of special privilege,
which, judging from the way many skypilots abuse it, ought to be submitted to
a referendum vote of the people. In some
instances the advantage has become so
unrestricted as to permit marked changes
in the language and thought of the times
without warning. As an illustration of
this, the accent of that last word in the
foregoing poem has been removed from
the first to the second syllable for the
purpose of making a rhyme for the word of making a rhyme for the word -WILLIS HUDSPETH.

Here and There. When you are far away, my dear.
When you are 'way off yonder,
I know 'is true that absence makes
This heart of mine grow fonder;
And when you're at my side, my dear,
I realize how true
The wise old saw, that distance lends
Enchantment to the view.

When you are far away, my dear, When you are far away, my dear,
When you are far away,
I wish you could be where I am
Forever and for aye.
But when you are beside me, oh!
Tis addly strange, but true,
I could wish you were in Halifax.
Or, at least, in Kalamazoo.

BAYOLL NE TRELE

False Economy

Omaha.

Perhaps you use an alum baking powder because you think it is cheaper and therefore more economical. But is it?

Leading food experts and medical authorities have for years declared that alum baking powders are not safe to be used. The chief European nations prohibit them altogether.

Can it be truthfully said that an article of food so generally condemned is economical at any price?

Royal Baking Powder, which is made from cream of tartar, adds only healthful qualities to the food.

The difference in cost of a pan of biscuits or of a cake made with Royal Baking Powder as compared with cheap alum or phosphate of lime powders is about one cent, which is surely too small an amount to warrant the risk.

> ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO. New York

They always come back for MOORE

ED WALSH, WHITE SOX PITCHER, NARROWLY ESCAPES PNEUMONIA

King of "Spitball" Hurlers Says Prompt Use of Akoz Saved Him From Long Illness.

But few people know that "Big" Ed Walsh, king of spitball" pitchers, for ten years mainstay of the Chicago White Sox, came near having his career as star twirler ended by pneumonia upon his arrival in California for the 1915 training trip. Walsh, one of the greatest pitchers in the game, who perfected the "spitball to such a degree that he won the world's championship in 1906 with the Chicago team, known then as the "hitless won ders," says he arrived in Paso Robles or February 21st in a precarious condition. He had a bad cough, sore throat, and his lungs were so consested that the cough caused him intense suffering. "Pneu monia," a dector said. Waish declared that his escape from a siege of sickness was due to his prompt use of Akoz, the wonderful California medicinal mineral, a supply of which is carried by William Buckner, trainer of the White Sox, for use on members of the team.

He says of his case: "The day our team arrived at Paso Robles I had a bad cold, sere throat and in for a siege of pneumonia. I could see my finish. However, Buckner, our trainer, said he had some Akez Compound and auggested putting it on my chest and throat. As I have seen its effectiveness demonstrated on members of the leam. I Imagine my joy next morning when I arose and found my cough, sere throat. formation regarding this advertisement.



congestion and all other symptoms of pneumonia gone, and feeling in midseason form. Though the weather has been bad since we came to the Coast, I have not even had a cold since using Akos.

"I am now taking the Akoz internatreatment for a tonic and using the place ters on my sore shoulder. I am also going to start my wife using Akon, and you can congested lungs. I was alarmed and believe me, I am never going to be withconsulted a doctor. He said I was out your mineral remedy. You can go just as strong as you like in giving my indorsement of Akog."

Akoz has proven effective in thousands of cases of rheumatism, stomach, liver, kidney and bladder trouble, catarrh. ulcers, piles, skin diseases and other allments. Akon is now being demonstrated readily consented. That night I went to and sold at Sherman & McConnell's 18th bed pretty well plastered up with Akos. and Dodge St. store. Visit, phone or write the Akoz man in charge for further in-